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As noted in the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated December 28, 2005, Applicants amendments to the drawings were deemed non-compliant with 37 CFR 1.121, in that the drawings were not identified as "Replacement Sheet" or "New Sheet" or Annotated Sheet" in the top margin, as required under 37 CFR 1.121(d) As Explained to the undersigned Attorney by Examiner Gloria Trammell, Applicants should submit compliant versions of the previously non-compliant Drawings — They should not re-submit the entire Amendment containing the non-compliant Drawings. Applicants hereby re-submit the amended Drawings (Drawings FIG. 1A, FIG. 1B and FIG. 2B) marked in the top margin as "Replacement Sheet"

Finally, Applicants note that recent Office Actions have been sent to our outside counsel, Eugene Rzucidlo at Greenberg Traurig. As shown in the Re-issue Declaration of Assignee, the undersigned attorney (and others at Merck & Co., Inc.) is the attorneys of record. Accordingly, the undersigned attorney requests further communication to be sent to him at the address provided below.

Applicants respectfully submit that the application is now in condition for allowance, and passage thereto is earnestly requested. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number provided below if such would advance the prosecution of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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